

CLAIMS:

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1. A dispensing apparatus for adhesive tape with protective backing, comprising:
 - a frame;
 - 5 a supply reel rotatably mounted to said frame, wherein said supply reel accepts a spool of tape;
 - a guide roller rotatably mounted to said frame, wherein said guide roller accepts a section of tape from said spool;
 - a feeder roller rotatably mounted to said frame, wherein said feeder roller accepts said section of tape, and wherein said protective backing separates from said section of tape;
 - 10 a takeup roller rotatably mounted to said frame for receiving said protective backing; and
 - a rubber band drive connecting said feeder roller with said takeup roller.
- 15 2. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 1, wherein said supply reel has a means of tension control.
3. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 1, wherein said supply reel consists of an inner shaft assembly fixedly attached to said side panel, a shaft guide, a feeder spool, a washer, and a tension spring controlled by a tension dial.
- 20 4. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 1, wherein said frame has an access panel hingedly attached to said frame.
- 25 5. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 1, further comprising a handle attached to said frame.
6. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, wherein said handle is removable.

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7. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, further comprising a cutting blade connected to said frame.
8. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~7~~ 7, wherein said cutting blade is adjustable.
- 5 9. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, wherein said takeup roller and said feeder roller have a rubber outer surface.
- 10 10. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, further comprising a belt mountable hook attached to said frame.
11. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~10~~ 10, wherein said belt mountable hook engages a rafter mount to fixedly attach said dispenser.
- 15 12. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, wherein said dispenser engages a surface mount platform.
13. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, wherein said dispenser is constructed from the group consisting of stainless steel, steel, aluminum, and plastic.
- 20 14. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~1~~ 1, wherein said feeder roller is comprised of a threaded inner shaft, an insert surrounding said shaft, and a rubber sleeve encasing said insert, and wherein said takeup roller is comprised of a threaded inner shaft, an insert surrounding said shaft, and a rubber sleeve encasing said insert.
- 25 15. A dispensing apparatus as in claim ~~14~~ 14, wherein said feeder roller insert has a groove and said takeup roller insert has a groove, wherein said rubber band is positioned in said feeder roller insert groove and in said takeup roller insert groove.

16. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 15, wherein said takeup roller insert groove is deeper than said feeder roller insert groove.

17. A dispensing apparatus for adhesive tape with protective backing, comprising:

a frame;

a supply reel rotatably mounted to said frame, wherein said supply reel accepts a spool of said adhesive tape with protective backing;

a feeder roller rotatably mounted to said frame, wherein said feeder roller accepts a section of tape from said spool, and wherein said protective backing separates from said section of tape;

a takeup roller rotatably mounted to said frame for receiving said protective backing;

a rubber band drive connecting said feeder roller with said takeup roller; and
a means of establishing a rate differential between said takeup roller and said feeder roller.

18. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 17, wherein said rate differential means includes a smaller dimension takeup roller.

19. A dispensing apparatus as in claim 17, wherein said takeup roller has a takeup roller insert groove connecting to said rubber band, wherein said feeder roller has a feeder roller insert groove connecting to said rubber band, and wherein said rubber band, said takeup roller insert groove, and said feeder roller insert groove establish said rate differential means.

20. A dispensing apparatus for adhesive tape with protective backing, comprising:

a frame having an access panel, a side panel and a front panel, wherein said access panel is hingedly attached to said frame;

a supply reel fixedly attached to said side panel, wherein said supply reel accepts a spool of tape, and wherein said supply reel secures said spool to said reel with a fastener;

a guide roller rotatably attached between said side panel and said front panel;

a feeder roller rotatably attached between said side panel and said front panel;

a takeup roller rotatably attached between said side panel and said front panel,

wherein said takeup roller is parallel to said guide roller and said feeder roller;

a rubber band drive connecting said feeder roller with said takeup roller, wherein

said protective backing separates from said adhesive tape and collects on said takeup roller;

a handle attached to said frame.